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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">10/575405</div> |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/US2004/033647 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 12 October 2004 (12.10.04) | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 13 October 2003 (13.10.03) |
| TITLE OF INVENTION PATIENT CARE EQUIPMENT SUPPORT LOCK | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US GRAHAM, Mark Alan; CERIMELE, Michael E.; REINKE, Christian H.; NEWKIRK, David C | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
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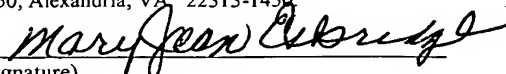
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